

APPENDIX J

Manual of Arms—Revolver

J-1. General

- a. This appendix contains the procedures for executing the manual of arms with the revolver (FM 23-35).
- b. All individual drill movements are executed as prescribed with the weapon secured in the holster.
- c. The only manual of arms movements that may be executed are *present arms* (*hand salute*) and *inspection arms*. During other manual of arms movements, remain at *attention*.

J-2. Manual Movements

- a. **Present Arms.** The *hand salute* is executed in the same manner as prescribed in individual drill.
- b. **Inspection Arms.**
 - (1) On the command of execution **ARMS**, unsnap the holster strap with the right hand and grasp the pistol grip. Withdraw the revolver from the holster and raise the right forearm to the front until the hand is about 6 inches in front of the right shoulder, and the right elbow is against the right side. Hold the pistol grip in a “U” formed by the thumb and last three fingers. Extend the forefinger outside and alongside the trigger guard. Point the muzzle outward and up at about a 30-degree angle (1, Figure J-1). Open the cylinder by operating the thumb latch with the left forefinger (2, Figure J-1), and push the cylinder to the left with the right forefinger. Return the left hand to the left side. Raise the revolver to a point where the cylinder chambers can be visually inspected and checked for clearance (3, Figure J-1). After inspecting the weapon, return (cylinder out) to *raised pistol*.

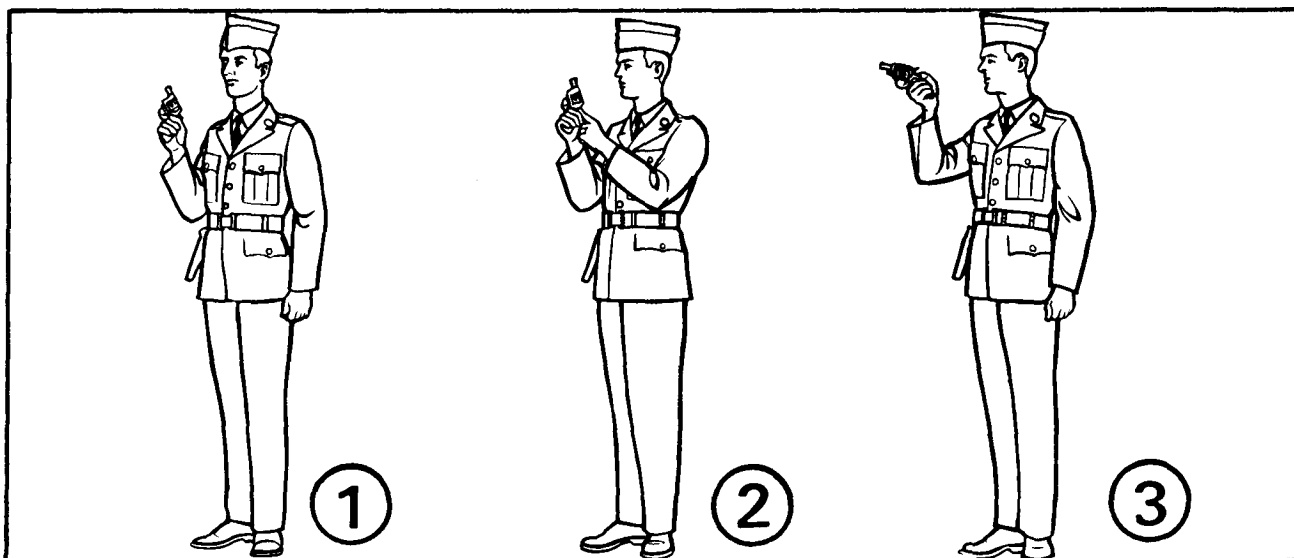


Figure J-1. Inspection Arms

- (2) **Ready, Port, ARMS** is the only command that may be given from *inspection arms*. On the command **Ready**, move the left hand up and across the body and place the left forefinger on the cylinder. On the command **Port**, close the cylinder and return the left hand sharply to the side. On the command **ARMS**, return the revolver to the holster and secure the strap with the right hand and come to *attention*.
- (3) If the revolver is inspected in ranks and the inspecting officer takes the revolver, lower the right hand smartly to the right side. When the inspecting officer is ready to return the revolver, raise the right hand back to the *raised* position and accept the weapon. After the revolver is returned, close the cylinder (left hand), return the weapon to the holster, and come to *attention*.